## What is claimed is:

An optical switch, comprising: 1.

a mirror, an inclination angle of which varies depending on an application voltage;

a driver device applying the application voltage to the mirror;

an oscillation device generating an additional signal of a prescribed frequency;

a superimpositión device superimposing 10 the additional signal on the application voltage;

a detection device detecting a signal component of the prescribed frequency from light reflected on the mirror; and

a control/device controlling the application 15 voltage based on the detected signal component.

2. The optical switch according to claim 1, further comprising:

20 a storage device storing at least one of information about the application voltage and information about optical-coupling efficiency of the optical switch; and a notification device notifying a prescribed notification addressee of the information stored in the storage device.

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- 3. The optical switch according to claim 1, wherein said oscillation device/generates an additional signal of a frequency higher than a mechanical resonance frequency of said mirror.
- 4. An optical switch, comprising:

a mirror, an inclination angle in a first direction of which varies depending on a first application voltage and an inclination angle in a second direction of which varies depending on a second application voltage;

- a first driver device applying the first application voltage to the mirror;
- a second driver device applying the second is application voltage to the mirror;
  - a first oscillation device generating a first additional signal of a first frequency;
  - a second oscillation device generating a second additional signal of a second frequency;
- a first superimposition device superimposing the first additional signal on the first application voltage;
  - a second/superimposition device superimposing the second additional signal on the second application voltage;  $\frac{1}{2}$
- a detection device detecting respective signal

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components of the first and second frequencies from light
reflected on the mirror;

a first control device controlling the first application voltage based on the detected signal component of the first frequency; and

a second control device controlling the second application voltage based on the detected signal component of the second frequency.

## 10 5. An optical switch, comprising:

a former-stage mirror, an inclination angle in a first direction of which varies depending on a first application voltage and an inclination angle in a second direction of which varies depending on a second application voltage;

a latter-stage mirror, an inclination angle in a third direction of which varies depending on a third application voltage and an inclination angle in a fourth direction of which varies depending on a fourth application voltage;

a first driver device applying the first application voltage to the mirror;

a second driver device applying the second application voltage to the mirror;

a first oscillation device generating a first

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additional signal of a first frequency;

a second oscillation device generating a second additional signal of a second frequency;

a first super imposition device superimposing the first additional signal on the first application voltage;

a second super imposition device superimposing the second additional signal on the second application voltage;

a third driver device applying the third application voltage to the latter mirror;

a fourth driver device applying the fourth application voltage to the latter mirror;

a third super imposition device superimposing the third additional signal on the third application voltage;

a fourth super imposition device superimposing the fourth additional signal on the fourth application voltage;

a detection device detecting respective signal components of the first, second, third and fourth frequencies from light reflected on the latter-stage mirror; and

a first control device controlling the first application voltage based on the detected signal component of the first frequency;

a second control device controlling the second

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application voltage based on the detected signal component of the second frequency;

a third control device controlling the third application voltage based on the detected signal component of the third frequency; and

a fourth control device controlling the fourth application voltage based on the detected signal component of the fourth frequency.

10 6. A control device for an optical switch with a mirror, an inclination angle of which varies depending on an application voltage, comprising:

a driver device applying the application voltage to the mirror;

an oscillation device generating an additional signal of a prescribed frequency;

a superimposition device superimposing the additional signal on the application voltage;

a detection device detecting a signal component
of the prescribed frequency from light reflected on the mirror; and

a control device controlling the application voltage based on the detected signal component.

25 7. A  $\phi$  ontrol device for an optical switch with a mirror,

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an inclination angle in a first direction of which varies depending on a first application voltage and an inclination angle in a second direction of which varies depending on a second application voltage, comprising:

- a first driver device applying the first application voltage to the mirror;
- a second driver device applying the second application voltage to the mirror;
- a first oscillation device generating a first additional signal of a first frequency;
- a second oscillation device generating a second additional signal of a second frequency;
- a first superimposition device superimposing the first additional signal on the first application voltage;
- a second superimposition device superimposing the second additional signal on the second application voltage;
- a detection device detecting respective signal components of the first and second frequencies from light reflected on the mirror;
- a first control device controlling the first application, voltage based on the detected signal component of the first frequency; and
- a second control device controlling the second 25 application voltage based on the detected signal

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component of the second frequency.

8. A control device for an optical switch with both a former-stage mirror, an inclination angle in a first direction of which varies depending on a first application voltage and an inclination angle in a second direction of which varies depending on a second application voltage, and a latter-stage mirror, an inclination angle in a third direction of which varies depending on a third application voltage and an inclination angle in a fourth direction of which varies depending on a fourth application voltage, comprising:

a first driver device applying the first application voltage to the former-stage mirror;

a second driver device applying the second application voltage to the former-stage mirror;

a first oscillation device generating a first additional signal of a first frequency;

a second oscillation device generating a second additional signal of a second frequency;

a first superimposition device superimposing the first additional signal on the first application voltage;

a second superimposition device superimposing the second additional signal on the second application voltage;

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a third driver device applying the third application voltage to the latter-stage mirror;

a fourth driver device applying the fourth application voltage to the latter-stage mirror;

a third oscillation device generating a third additional signal of a third frequency;

a fourth oscillation device generating a fourth additional signal of a fourth frequency;

a third superimposition device superimposing the third additional signal on the third application voltage;

a fourth superimposition device superimposing the fourth additional signal on the fourth application voltage;

a detection device detecting respective signal components of the first, second, third and fourth frequencies from light reflected on the latter-stage mirror;

a first control device controlling the first application voltage based on the detected signal component of the first frequency;

a second control device controlling the second application, voltage based on the detected signal component of the second frequency;

a third control device controlling the third 25 application voltage based on the detected signal



component of the third frequency; and

a fourth control device controlling the fourth application voltage based on the detected signal component of the fourth frequency.

9. An optical switch, comprising:

a mirror, an inclination angle of which varies depending on an application voltage;

driver means for applying the application voltage to the mirror;

oscillation means for generating an additional signal of a prescribed frequency;

superimposition means for superimposing the additional signal on the application voltage;

detection means for detecting a signal component of the prescribed frequency from light reflected on the mirror; and /

control means for controlling the application voltage based on the detected signal component.

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